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20 According to the present invention, there is provided a method of fabricating and/or repairing a light emitting device by gradually changing a voltage applied to an EL element from a first voltage to a second voltage, characterized in that one of the first voltage and the second voltage is a ground voltage while the other is a reverse bias voltage.

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second voltage, thereby making a portion where a reverse-bias current flows between the anode and the cathode insulating or highly resistive, and one of the first voltage and the second voltage is a ground voltage while the other is a reverse bias voltage.

According to the present invention, a method of fabricating and/or repairing a light emitting device can be characterized in that the reverse bias voltage is within  $\pm 15\%$  of an avalanche voltage of the EL element.

### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

In the accompanying drawings:

Figs. 1A and 1B are diagrams schematically showing the current flow in an EL element when a reverse bias voltage is applied to the EL element;

Figs. 2A and 2B are diagrams schematically showing a change in voltage-current characteristic of an EL element in the middle of repairing process and the current flow in the EL element when a forward bias voltage is applied to the EL element after repairing;

Fig. 3 is a circuit diagram of a pixel;

Figs. 4A and 4B are circuit diagrams of a pixel portion and a diagram showing the operation of the pixel portion during repairing, respectively;

Fig. 5 is a circuit diagram of a pixel;

Figs. 6A and 6B are circuit diagrams of a pixel portion and a diagram showing the operation of the pixel portion during repairing, respectively;

Figs. 7A and 7B are diagrams showing the structure of driving circuits;

Figs. 8A and 8B are diagrams showing the structure of driving circuits;

Figs. 9A and 9B are diagrams showing the structure of EL elements;

Figs. 10A and 10B are diagrams showing the structure of EL elements;